



COVINGTON VILLAGE COUNCIL

MEETING MINUTES

February 7, 2022

Covington Village Council had a meeting on February 7, 2022. Mayor Ed McCord called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. The following roll call was taken for council:

Council Members Present:

- Keith Warner
- Derrick Canan
- Amy Welborn
- Julie Blumenstock
- Dawn Duff
- Jesse Reynolds

Non-member Staff participating:

- Frank Patrizio – Village Attorney
- Rhonda Gill - Fiscal Officer
- Kyle Hinkelman - Village Administrator

Consent Agenda:

The consent agenda included:

- Minutes from the January 31, 2022, meeting
- January 2022 Income Tax Report

A motion was made to approve the consent agenda as it stands with no modifications by Mr. Derrick Canan and seconded by Ms. Julie Blumenstock. All ayes. Motion carried.

Visitors

No comments were received.

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Mayor's Report

Mayor Ed McCord opened the meeting to thank all Village of Covington crews and others involved in the snow clean up. A great job with the response to clean up and the Village will continue to respond to the cleanup needs.

Administrator's Report

Mr. Kyle Hinkelman stated no formal items to report. Reminder next regular council meeting to be held March 7 at 7 PM.

He did note that the Village was hit hard with the winter storm. Village crews did a good job clearing alleyways and roadways. He also wished to thank the many residents who helped as well. Working together is what makes Covington special.

Discussion Items

None

ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS

Third Reading Considerations

None

Second Reading Considerations

Resolution R06-22 – Surplus Items.

Mr. Hinkelman discussed resolution R06-22. He noted that this had been discussed at previous meetings and this was related to surplus items of various street signs no longer in use to be sold or scrapped. Mr. Hinkelman was contacted by a resident to verify if any of the signs had historical value. Mr. Hinkelman will be discussing further with the Historical Society, which would potentially allow for a donation to the museum.

There are no changes from the First Reading. Mr. Hinkelman asked if the Council had any questions on the resolution, and there were none. He noted that the third and final reading will be March 7, 2022.

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Resolution R08-22 – Appointment to Boards and Commissions

Mr. Hinkelman discussed resolution R08-22. He noted that this had been discussed at the previous meeting and there were no changes to the resolution. Mr. Hinkelman asked if the Council had any questions and there were none.

Mr. Hinkelman noted that the third and final reading will be March 7, 2022.

First Reading Considerations

Resolution 02-22 – Adoption the Ohio Basic Code.

Mr. Hinkelman shared the Adoption of the Ohio Basic Code is done on an annual basis, and has been done annually for many years. He noted that this document is reviewed by legal councils around the state and updated to reflect current case law in Ohio. This document is used by the Police Department primarily in the Village, and since this document is unlikely to have specific revisions from our Village or changes to the resolution, and since it allows our Police to utilize the most up-to-date legal language established by the State of Ohio, Mr. Hinkelman asked the Council to consider waiving the three-reading rule to allow passage at this meeting.

Ms. Amy Welborn, questioned what affect would transpire if the three-reading rule was not completed.

Mr. Frank Patrizio explained the Ohio Basic Code books generally have minor rule changes. Rules on violations handled by Police Departments are mostly affected. Officers can implement the change immediately, being up to date with all the codes rather than wait for a month or more to change over.

Mr. Derrick Canan questioned if there was anything in the codes that would really affect the Village. Mr. Patrizio indicated there were not. Council members are welcome to review the book.

Mayor McCord shared Chief Lee Harmon likes to have the most up to date rules for all officers, but it is up to the Council to decide what they want to do. He further noted three readings would make the passage occur a month or more later.

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A motion to waive the three-reading rule for Resolution 02-22 was made by Mr. Reynolds and seconded by Ms. Duff. A vote was taken with the following results: Mr. Warner - aye; Mr. Canan - aye; Ms. Welborn - nay; Ms. Blumenstock - aye; Mr. Reynolds - aye; Ms. Duff - aye. Motion passed.

Mr. Warner motioned to approve Resolution 02-22 seconded by Ms. Duff. A vote was taken with the following results: Mr. Warner – aye; Mr. Canan – aye; Ms. Welborn – nay; Ms. Blumenstock – aye; Mr. Reynolds – aye; Ms. Duff – aye. Motion passed.

Police Chief and Elected Officials' Comments

None.

Executive Session

None

Adjournment

A motion was made by Mr. Weer, seconded by Mr. Canan. Meeting adjourned at 7:15 PM.

Fiscal Officer

Mayor

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